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(SDWG-D-18/4)

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12 April 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

SUBJECT: Request for Exception to COMOR-D-7/1 (March 1962)
As Amended by COMOR-D-7/26 (5 June 1964)

REFERENCE: Department of the Air Force Request for
Exception, 5 April 1965, [REDACTED]

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1. The Department of the Air Force has requested (see attached) that [REDACTED] seventh classified edition, scale 1:1,000,000 chart be excepted from the NO FOREIGN DISSEM caveat which was added to the instructions in Annex B of COMOR-D-7/1 by COMOR-D-7/26, 5 June 1964.

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[REDACTED]

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3. In the estimation of this office no improper action has been taken. It is also noted that a number of other maps and charts which bore the SECRET classification may well have been released to other governments prior to imposition of the restriction. At the time such release could be made at the discretion of the senior intelligence officer (SIO) of any agency. At the time that COMOR amended COMOR-D-7/1 it considered the possibility of retroactive action but felt that this might needlessly attract attention to the sensitivity of sources used in producing the maps or charts that had been released.

4. With regard to the future the Air Force has advised us that the [REDACTED] has made no further dissemination of [REDACTED] but the question might arise as to what is the proper action should such a request be made. This office notes that such further release would have to be referred to the senior intelligence officer, and

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it is our assumption that because the intent of COMOR-D-7/26 is entirely clear, the senior intelligence officer would consider that such additional release would require approval of the Board even though the document in question is presently classified SECRET

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5. This office invites COMOR's comment on this particular problem and at the same time invites any other advice that members might have on problems which could arise from the omission in the original instructions in Annex B of COMOR-D-7/1

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6. It is my personal opinion that as soon as COMOR-D-7/29 comes before the Board and COMOR is instructed to revise the manuals, these problems can be taken care of in the revisions. It is also my personal opinion that in the event that [redacted] requested permission to disseminate [redacted] further, it should be advised that regulations controlling the dissemination of maps and charts have been revised and that all its copies should be stamped [redacted] It would subsequently be possible to add the name of another country should the Board act favorably on a request for additional dissemination.

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Attachment:

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(2 April 1965)

MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN, COMOR

SUBJECT: Request for Exception to COMOR-D-7/1,
March 1962, As Amended

1. Reference TALENT Sanitization Manual (COMOR-D-7/1),
March 1962, [redacted] as amended, Annex B, Paragraph 2.e.

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2. The COMOR Sanitization and Decontrol Working Group
has reviewed a request for release of [redacted] 7th Classified
edition, [redacted]

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3. The current production of [redacted] 7th classified
edition, (Scale 1:1,000,000) has incorporated information derived
from the TALENT/KEYHOLE System. In accordance with current
instructions, [redacted]

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4. Circumstances surrounding the production of this 7th
edition and reasons for the exception request are as follows:

a. During May 1964, production of this
7th classified edition, had progressed to the final
engraving phase. [redacted]

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b. On 19 June 1964, the TALENT Saniti-
zation Manual was amended by COMOR-D-7/26 dated
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d. The U.S. Navy also received copies of the 7th edition [redacted]
No copies have been distributed outside the Navy system and further distribution has been suspended.

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e. This edition is identified as a published chart in copies of the NATO catalog.

5. Little is to be gained at this time in restricting additional dissemination of a chart which was initially distributed prior to the amendment to the TALENT Sanitization Manual.

6. Attachment #1 depicts the differences in planimetric detail which were basically derived from T/KH source materials. The litho sheet is a portion of the prior 6th edition of [redacted] which was classified solely because of the aeronautical overprint data. The film positive overlay was reproduced from a copy for the 7th classified edition which contained sensitive information in the base detail.

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RECOMMENDATION:

7. In view of the considerations discussed above, particularly the fact that this edition was compiled, edited and produced, with initial distribution prior to the requirement for the [redacted] caveat, the COMOR Sanitization and Decontrol Working Group recommends the [redacted] caveat not be applied to this edition of the [redacted] production.

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1. [redacted] 7th C. Edition
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Extract from TALENT Sanitization Manual, 19 Feb 1962,
COMOR-D-7/1, [REDACTED] March 1962 (TH 1046-62)

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ANNEX B

2. e. Material at 500,000 scale or smaller will be classified no lower than CONFIDENTIAL. Larger scales will be classified no lower than SECRET. In both cases, dissemination will be effected under controls applying to cartographic materials of the same series.

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Above paragraph amended by COMOR-D-7/26 dated 5 June 1964,
as follows:

1. [REDACTED] dissemination will be added to the classification.

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